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SUBJECT: IOANNIDES ONCE MORE ON TRIAL

1. AFTER AN HIATUS OF ONLY TEN DAYS SINCE THE TERMINATION OF THE POLYTECHNION TRIAL (ATHENS 10242), FORMER JUNTA STRONGMAN DIMITRI IOANNIDES WAS ONCE AGAIN SEATED AS A DEFENDANT. IN A TRIAL WHICH BEGAN JANUARY 8, HE AND FIVE OTHER FORMER OFFICERS OF THE GREEK MILITARY POLICE (ESA) ARE CHARGED WITH HAVING DESTROYED ESA RECORDS. THE TRIAL IS BEING HELD BEFORE THE ATHENS PERMANENT COURT MARTIAL AT KORYDALLOS PRISON. AT THE OPENING SESSION YESTERDAY IOANNIDES STATED HE WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY IN THE TRIAL SINCE HE BELIEVES IT WOULD BE "USELESS FOR ME TO DEFEND MYSELF". HOWEVER HE RESERVED THE RIGHT TO MAKE STATEMENTS LATER.

2. MEANWHILE, IN ANOTHER JUDICIAL PROCEEDING, THE ATHENS APPEALS COURT ACQUITTED THREE MEMBERS OF THE REVOLUTIONARY COMMUNIST MOVEMENT OF GREECE (EDDE) WHO HAD BEEN CHARGED WITH INFLECTING PERSONAL INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE DURING AN ATTACK ON THE AMERICAN EMBASSY LAST APRIL 21. A FOURTH DEFENDANT -
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ANTHONY SCHULTZE (AN AMERICAN CITIZEN) - WAS

SENTENCED TO THREE MONTHS IMPRISONMENT, WITH THE
OPTION TO "BUY OFF" THE SENTENCE AT THE RATE OF 150
DRACHMAS A DAY (SEE ALSO ATHENS 7929 DATED OCTOBER 16
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